

LATELY UNPUBLISHED TO SOLVE PUZZLE

Thus Far Answers Received Are Far From Being Complete.

BOOKS QUOTED ARE NOT RARE Most Are Standard, and Among Authors There Are Both American and English.

One by one the puzzles are coming along with lists far from complete, therefore the late comers very likely will carry off the honors in puzzledom this week. Just what to think of this unusual phase of affairs is beyond me. The puzzle does not seem to be difficult, nevertheless the contestants who send in their answers are all "howling" about the unusualness of the books under discussion.

As a matter of fact, the works are, in the main, standard of their sort. Furthermore they are not of a very abstruse kind; that is to say, almost anybody with any pretense to the attainments of the average puzzler will have read three-fourths of the works.

Among the authors are Americans and Englishmen, and at least one of the books was written by a woman.

Meantime, in answer to several inquiries, I may say that up to this moment, nobody has found any errors in the puzzle. Just as things look today there is going to be an easy victory for some one, so the belated may take heart of grace and forward their lists just as they have them.

Answers to Queries From Times Readers

Bean Contest.

C. J. H.—Why not try a bean contest to start things going at your Christian Endeavor social. For the bean contest, form two lines, with a captain on each side; have two bowls full of beans, the same number in each, at the top, two empty bowls at the end of the lines. The captains take as many beans as they can hold in their left hand without dropping, transfer them to their right, then give to the person nearest; this person goes through the same performance, which is repeated to the end of the line, the beans being deposited in the empty bowls. The side that has the most beans left when they are placed in the bottom bowl wins, and the captain receives a box of chocolates or other candy, which he divides with his line. No spilled beans can be picked up during the contest.

Vaseline for Scalp.

Mrs. L. M.—I know nothing which will remove scars from the face. Massage your head with vaseline nightly, taking care not to saturate the hair. If the hair is very short, use the vaseline, and if necessary wash once a week with a shampoo made of one fresh egg and a few drops of lemon juice. Dilute with a small quantity of water. Rub into the hair well, before rinsing in lukewarm water. Use no soap.

To Clean a Straw Hat.

G. W. M.—To clean a white straw hat with oxalic acid use a teaspoonful of the acid to a cupful of water. Brush the hat thoroughly and then apply the acid with an old toothbrush, brushing carefully until the dirt disappears. If you should discolor the black band, dampen it with diluted ammonia water to restore the color.

Probably Olive Oil.

Mrs. Nellie G.—I know nothing of the recipe you mention. The clipping is not taken from the Times. I suppose, however, olive oil is what is meant.

To Remove Odor of Oil.

J. N. P.—To dissipate the odor of oil in your ice box place some chloride of lime in a saucer and let it remain over night. I am sure the lime will cleanse the chest. Of course everything in the line of food must be removed, and the box must be aired thoroughly in the sun if possible before replacing the food in the chest.

SPRING LAMB DROPS; NOW 9C A POUND

Market Is Glutted At Present. Veal Also Drops a Point.

Spring lambs have ceased to be the luxury they were at their first appearance on the market this year, at the wholesale price of 20 cents a pound. Today the quotation dropped from 12 to 9 cents, less than half the price of six weeks ago.

The commission dealers explain this present decline by the fact of a large increase in the number of lambs that have found their way to the markets within the last few days.

Calves, also, are down about a half a cent a pound on the choice qualities, but this decline is hardly enough to affect the retail price, and then it may go up again within a few days, depending on the condition of the market with respect to the supply and the demand.

OFFICERS ELECTED BY WOMEN'S CLUBS

Mrs. R. C. Wardfield, of Rockville, today enters upon her duties as president of the Montgomery County Federation of Women's Clubs of Maryland. Other officers elected at the fifth annual convention, held at the home of Mrs. George Wright, Forest Glen, are: First vice president, Mrs. J. Walter Fawkes, Forest Glen, and vice presidents, Miss Helen L. Thomas, Miss Rebecca Miller, Mrs. J. Philip Herrmann, Mrs. W. W. Miss Virginia Griffith, Mrs. Paul Cook, Mrs. Archibald Small, Mrs. S. L. Legg, and Mrs. Joseph T. Moore, Jr., recording secretary, Mrs. George T. Sandler, corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. Harry Cunningham, treasurer, Mrs. M. H. Bancroft, parliamentary, Mrs. T. Newcomb, auditor, Miss Mary E. Gilpin.

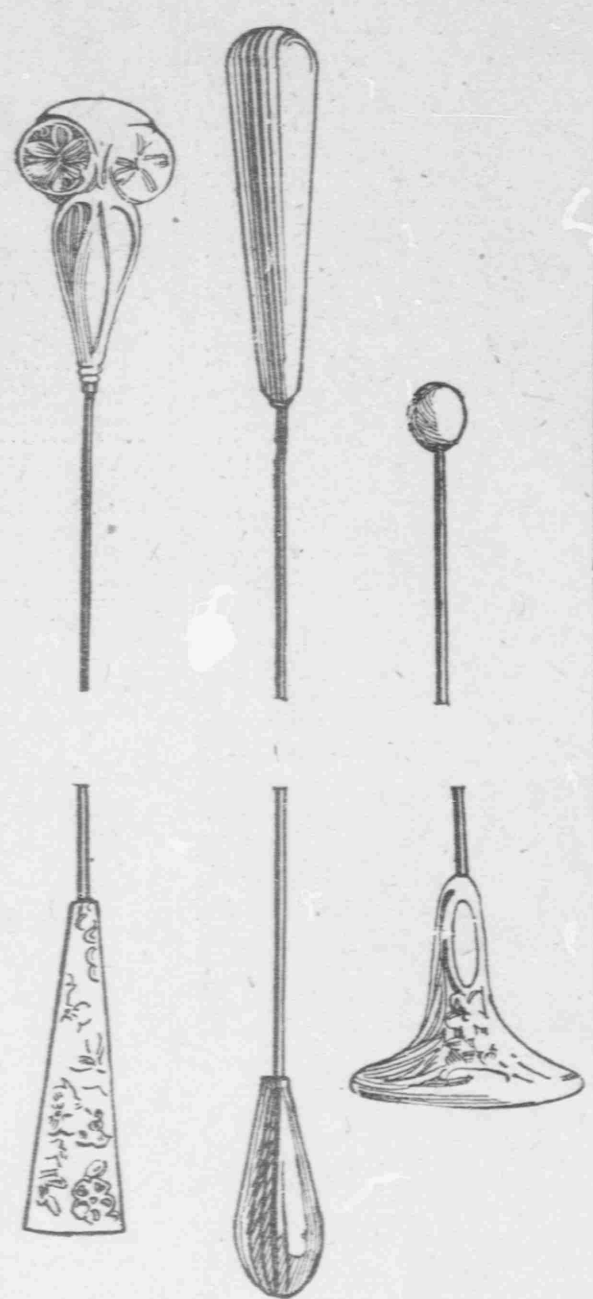
LAWMAKERS DODGED BY SAFETY HATPINS

Device Arranged by Which Merry Widows and Others May Be Anchored Safely Without Violating the Laws of Any State.

INASMUCH as the many legislators in different parts of the country have hopes of ultimately putting the deadly hatpin under the ban of the law it will come as comforting intelligence to womankind in general that a safety hatpin has been invented.

No woman under the century mark has a fancy for fastening her hat to her head with an elastic drawn copy down below her chin, or her puffs as the case may be, neither does the average woman care to wear her hat so well down on her head that nothing short of a cyclone would serve to lift it from its moorings.

With the far-reaching point of the hatpin rendered innocuous by a sort of secondary head or cap the present mode of affixing one's hat may be safely pursued no matter how active the solons become. I am printing photographs of the new pins which may appeal to you.



Sample Designs in Safety Hatpins, Recently Invented Device to Avoid the Danger of Protruding Sharp Points.

Of course, there are objections to be made to the invention. In the first place, it will require a deal of skill and time once one's hat is fixed "just so" to strike the point with the little detached cap. Secondly it will add to one's troubles to keep the hatpin proper, and the cap in close enough company to be at hand when the hat is to be donned.

Then, too, one will have to exercise some ingenuity in making the hat set at just the right angle to have the cap fit the point of the hatpin properly without destroying the "effect," and line of one's hat.

From my point of view the hatpin will find its best use among the girls and women who go in for athletics. In simple hats, which admit some liberties, the pins will suit admirably. The tennis girl with her Panama, as well as the equestrienne and the motor car girl will all discover how very satisfactory such a pin is, and see the pins with the protected points may be.

"Moreover, smash-ups will in a measure lose their terrors, when one reflects that there is no necessity of dodging the huge and necessary spikes and pins which hold the women's bonnets to the head.

Whichever way the idea of safety hatpins is viewed, I know you all will be interested in hearing of this latest fad, wherefore, I am glad to be able to give you a definite idea of the pins as we one day may be compelled to wear them.

CAUSE FOR LIGHT. EVER PRESENT.

"How bright and happy May looks since her engagement!"

"Yes, a man usually lights up a girl's face."—Tid Bits.

She—Did you notice the lovely palms in the restaurant?

He—The only palms I saw were the waiter's. Modern Society.

The Ticklemouse

—and his Sleepyland Adventures

By Roy Rutherford Bailey with Davy and Dorfy

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Mother Goose's May Baskets.

LAST night when the nursery clock struck twelve, bringing in the first day of May with slow, solemn strokes, something came, kerflop! against the window.

"Whoa, there, Gooseplane!" The Ticklemouse, not at all disturbed by the shakeup, slid lightly off and hid behind the window, leaving his feathered airship to wake the twins by saw a big market basket on his arm, filled with tiny baskets of all shapes and colors.

Davy and Dorfy were overjoyed to find the gray goose hitched outside. "To four mother's place!" cried the Mouse when they had mounted, and swift as the wind they shot southward. Soon the night air grew warmer, and the stillness was broken by a honk-honking sound as of many automobiles. "Honk, honk," they heard their steed, stretching out his long gray neck and flying still faster.

"My, what a lot of geese, and how funny they look, all dressed up!" Davy said, as they slowed down near a queer little town.

The Ticklemouse did not answer. He was looking through his field glasses at the palace on the hill. From the balcony a little old woman with a pet duck on each shoulder was waving her handkerchief at her visitors.

"Here we are, Mother, at your service," said the Mouse with a bow, alighting on the striped balcony.

"Welcome, Mouse brother!" cried the little dame in a high, cracked voice. "These are the famous Sleepyland Twins. I suppose? Children dear, I'm glad you're here—even if you did tear my shoe!" she added, looking sharply at Davy.

The little boy looked puzzled. "Well, she went on, 'if you'd look on page 57, you'll see what I mean. You may not think it matters how carelessly you turn the pages of your Mother Goose, but if you had to stand the damage you'd look sharp!" She showed him her torn shoe—Davy remembered that torn page, and hung his head.

Mother Goose kissed him with a bright little smile. "There, now, never mind! Little boys will be boys. You don't forget, when you handle your



picture books, that every careless jerk may cost some Goose-Land child very dear. What's in the basket, Mouse brother?"

"May baskets," answered the Ticklemouse. "And if you'll give us our passes, Mother, we'll be off and begin hanging them while the night is young."

Leaving their steed to wander about the palace grounds, they set off down the street. They stopped outside a lonely house, lighted by a solitary candle in the window. Inside some one was groaning.

The Ticklemouse felt around in the

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market basket and took out a cone-shaped parcel. "Beware of cold plum-porridge!" he wrote on it, and, hanging it on the knob, rang the doorbell sharply and scuttled back to the twins. The groans stopped, and a man with his jaw in a bandage came to the door, stared at the May Basket and tore it open. With a squeal of joy he gulped down the contents. The three laughed and hurried on. "What was in it?" asked Dorfy; "and who was he?" asked Davy.

"The Man from the South," a short, stout fellow, answered. "I thought the ice-cream would help cool his burnt mouth. Let's see, the Muffet cottage is next."

And so the night's frolic went on. The delighted twins helped bang the May Basket on the little Miss Muffet's door, and chuckled to see how pleased she was with the tiny spider-trap. All the May Baskets had some suit-

MOST MEN MARRY FOR A HOME LIFE

If the truth must be spoken, men come much nearer to marrying in accordance with the Sphinx's designs than women. Men marry for a home life. And G. B. Shaw, all to the contrary, admitting all the mistakes of the past, all the tyrannies and stupidities that have cast a blot upon the very word "home," when it is rightly built, it is far from being a mistake or an evil.

First of all, a home is a place which makes affection, sympathy, combined interests, natural. Live in the house, year in and year out, for twenty years or so, with anyone, and it is difficult in that time to fail to find out the good points of one's fellow, to have his faults at heart, and to see what his points of view stand for. In a word, of conflicting interest and much greed it is something that the home has the power of combining a certain number of interests.

Wherever the word "home" is not utterly misapplied, it means that a certain number of people, servants, children, husband, and wife, work together to establish order, comfort, a general spirit of service and good will.

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CHAPERONS WOULD HELP ELIGIBLES TO MARRY

Several Offer Their Services to Make Young Men and Women Acquainted in a Conventional and Honorable Manner.

THOSE interested enough in the matrimonial question which my readers have been considering for the past ten days have offered a series of suggestions relative to the Times starting a matrimonial bureau, or a series of excursions, or conducting entertainments, for the furtherance of the acquaintance of marriageable men and women.

For very obvious reasons such a procedure is quite impossible. Therefore, I have refrained from printing many of the letters forwarded. Some interested persons whose years and standing warrant them in feeling of sufficient worth in the community to serve as chaperons have offered their services in the event of my knowing any of the writers of the several letters.

The interest and the evident good fellowship and sympathy are appreciated, but again the course is quite impossible. Meantime, you all may be interested in some of the letters, which follow:

How Introductions May Be Obtained.

Washington, D. C., April 25, 1910.

Miss Frances Carroll,

Care The Washington Times,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Carroll:

I have been reading with considerable interest the discussion in your paper as to how eligible young men and women of Washington can become better acquainted, and as yet I have seen but few suggestions that in any way help to solve this problem.

I do not consider myself eligible for the reason that I have not sufficient money at my command to be attractive to the average young woman of this city, although I am not very old, and am unmarried.

I have been employed in several of the large cities of this country, where I was an entire stranger, and have never had any trouble in making all the acquaintances I wanted. Sometimes I have made more than I wanted. My trouble has been in shaking the least desirable of these acquaintances.

If a young woman or young man should see anyone whom they would like to meet, I think the best way to meet them is to ask some one to introduce them. Even though they have "asked some one who is a stranger to themselves and possibly to both."

As the saying is, "What is the use of doing this? What good will it do?"

It will enable you to ascertain the feelings of the other party in the matter, and if you be a man, you will be able to avoid any unnecessary offense, and if a woman, you will not

Lack of Funds Causes Many to Hesitate.

Taking the question in general, the trouble, according to my correspondents, is not so much in meeting suitable persons, but in having sufficient money to undertake the responsibilities of marriage. Here is another instance at hand:

Washington, D. C., April 25, 1910.

To the Editor of the Woman's Page.

My view of the Girl Question can be summed up in few words, and it will add much to the solution of the problem.

I know many good men who are anxious to get married, and who would make good husbands and fathers, but inability to obtain employment permanently prevents such a possibility.

I have talked with some on this same question, and they have told me just what I am telling you. They are too honorable to marry a girl and drag her down to poverty or make her leave a nice home and go to a position of honorable dignity.

Let me suggest to you to take a walk through some of our parks on a rainy day, and you will not fail to observe the large number of gentlemen in idle idleness sitting on the benches. Very respectfully,

E. J. B.

Daily Horoscope

"The stars incline, but do not compel."

Friday, May 13, 1910.

Dark is the sign for greed. The faithless ill shall speed.

ON this 13th day Neptune is in ecliptic conjunction with the Moon. The Sun is in sextile and benefic aspect. The day is brilliant for honors, ideals, lofty ambitions, generous deeds and sympathy.

It is dark with evil for greed, mercenary motives, selfishness, intolerance and unkindness.

Men who are false to women are under evil auguries.

Workers should find the day helpful toward success.

Persons in authority "will do well to grant favors, help subordinates and show mercy to wrong-doers."

The time is excellent for seeking employment.

Travel is likely to be of benefit.

Uranus is in a position that is held to threaten quarrels between married persons.

There is danger, also, of entanglements and errors in any dealings that are "involved or that are based on imperfectly understood matters."

Persons dealing with figures must exercise unusual care.

Druggists must concentrate their attention in making up prescriptions, and all persons handling or using chemical mixtures or anything made up by formulas will need to be much more careful than ordinarily.

According to heral lore, the day is good for cabbage, cress, cucumbers, lettuce, pumpkin and wintergreen under the Moon.

In the household the sign is favorable for baking, stewing, preserving and anything connected with ash.

Persons with this birth-date are under aspects that usually grant great powers for thorough investigation, but there will be danger of going into speculation without first using their talent for finding out.

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MOUSSELINE USED ON MODISH GOWNS

Russian Blouses Are as Popular as Long Floating Jackets.

More and more mousseline is being employed on modish gowns, yet it is used somewhat differently from what it was at first. Now, the mousseline is used to look like lace, graceful coats. It is caught under the arms, it hangs in plaits, it depends from shoulders—in fact, it is used in many fashions.

A month ago the mousseline made puffs, frills, platings, etc. At present it is being torn from such prosy effects, and fairly swathed a dress so that not much of the foundation is left uncovered.

It is beautiful, all this softening of a surface. But it comes high in the long run. Damp or heat spoils it, and even with the best of care mousseline becomes filmy and lifeless. Try all the dresses trimmed so as to simulate little sleeveless jackets or coats look quite like wraps or long, dressy coats; but that seems to be the present idea of the couturier.

We see many little wraps of mousseline, and they are adorable. Trimmed with ribbon, net, jet, lace—with no matter what—they are sure to render the wearer more attractive. Of course, there is no warmth in them, and such things were never intended for the cool Russian summer, yet the men who make the styles nowadays never seem to think of such a thing.

The Russian blouses of mousseline are as pretty as the long floating jackets. These may be finished in velvet or brocade, or anything, so long as the piece that runs down at the side is soft, and the picture is a good one.

WOMEN RESUMING SIMPLE COIFFURES

Turning From Extremes of Curls and Puffs to Old-Fashioned Postiche.

There has been such a decided change in the methods of arranging the hair that one looks old-fashioned at once if one of the new coiffures has not been adopted.

It certainly has been a most welcome relief, this laying aside of the masses of puffs and curls of all descriptions which were piled onto the head and which in inartistic hands became veritable caricatures for the flatter, more picturesque effects.

But with the enthusiasm which we in America always display toward a novel mode we have rather overdone the braids and similar contrivances and the women who delight in original and exclusive effects are now swearing allegiance to the old-fashioned postiche with which we were familiar many years ago. This is merely a type of a switch which is caught together in the middle and can thus be easily arranged around the head.

SHOULD NOT USE WATER IN BOILER

Few Are Systematically Flushed and Are Therefore Not In Clean Condition.

Water from the boiler should never be used for any cooking.

Few boilers are systematically flushed, with the result that they are in a clean condition on account of deposits from the water. This liquid would naturally affect the flavor of food, and might affect it chemically dependent upon the nature of the deposits and concentration.

Besides this general reason there is another objection for using such water in preparing tea and coffee. Water which has been heated loses air, which produces a "flat" tasting beverage.

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